

II. Claim Amendments

1. (Currently Amended) A method comprising:

attaching a mobile station to a first network and transmitting a first data transmission service request for communication with a terminal;

receiving a message from the first network at the mobile station in response to the data transmission service not being providable substantially in accordance with at least one of the service request ~~and/or and~~ the terminal not being reachable via the first network; ~~and~~

transmitting a second service request from the mobile station to a second network in response to said message received from the first network; and

receiving the requested service from the second network when the data transmission service is not providable substantially in accordance with at least one of the service request and the terminal is not reachable via the first network

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2. (Previously Presented) A method as claimed in claim 1, wherein a primary network is determined in the mobile station as said first network, the primary network determined in the mobile station is checked when a need arises to transfer data between the

terminal and the mobile station, and the availability of the requested data transmission service and the reachability of the terminal in the primary network are first checked in response to the mobile station being located in the coverage area of the primary network.

3. (Previously Presented) A method as claimed in claim 1, wherein the mobile station checks whether the terminal belongs to the first network in response to the mobile station being attached to the first network and data transmission being desired between the mobile station and the terminal, the service request is transmitted from the mobile station to the first network in response to the terminal belonging to the first network, or the service request is transmitted to the second network.

4. (Cancelled)

5. (Previously Presented) A method as claimed in claim 1, wherein said message comprises a command to transmit the service request to another network.

6. (Previously Presented) A method as claimed in claim 5, wherein the first network determines the second network to which the mobile station should send the service request, said message comprises a command to transmit the service request to the determined second network, and the service request is transmitted to the second network determined in said message.

7. (Previously Presented) A method as claimed in claim 1, wherein the mobile station maintains a list of second networks from which services are sought, the mobile station determines, in response to said message, the second network to which the second service request should be transmitted, and the second service request is transmitted to the second network determined on the basis of the list.

8. (Previously Presented) A method as claimed in claim 1, wherein the first network is a local network and a location database of the local network is checked to determine whether the terminal of a called number, included in the service request, is attached to the local network, and said message is transmitted from the local network to the mobile station in response to the terminal not being attached to the local network.

9. (Previously Presented) A method as claimed in claim 8, wherein the called number is associated in the location database with a second number, said message comprises the second number, and the service request comprising said second number is transmitted to the second network.

10. (Previously Presented) A method as claimed in claim 1, wherein the first network is a local network and the second network is a public mobile network and the mobile station also measures signal levels of base transceiver stations or access points comprised by the local network in response to the public mobile network providing data transmission service to the mobile station, a service request is transmitted from the mobile station to the local network for obtaining the data transmission service in response to the access point or base transceiver station of the local network providing a sufficient signal level, the availability of the data transmission service and the

reachability of the terminal in the local network are checked, a connection to the terminal via the local network is established in response to the data transmission service being providable substantially in accordance with the service request and the terminal being reachable via the local network, and the connection to the terminal via the public mobile network is released.

11. (Previously Presented) A method as claimed in claim 1, wherein the first network is a local network and the second network is a public mobile network and the mobile station measures signal levels of the base transceiver stations comprised by the public mobile network in response to the local network providing data transmission service to the mobile station, the service request is transmitted from the mobile station to the public mobile network in response to the signal levels of the measured access points or base transceivers stations of the local network being substantially lower than the signal level of the base transceiver station of the public mobile network, and the connection to the local network is released after establishing a connection to the terminal via the public mobile network.

12-17. (Cancelled)

18. (Currently Amended) An apparatus comprising:

a processor; and

a memory storing executable instructions that as part of the execution at least cause the apparatus to perform at least the following:

~~a transmitter configured to transmit~~ a first service request to a first network in response to the apparatus being attached to the first network and data transmission being desired between the apparatus and a terminal, ~~and~~

~~wherein the transmitter is further configured to transmit~~ a second service request to ~~the~~ second network in response to ~~at least one of the data transmission service not being providable in the first network substantially in accordance with the first service request and the terminal not being reachable via the first network;~~ and

receive the requested service from the second network when the data transmission service is not providable in the first network.

19. (Original) An apparatus as claimed in claim 18, wherein the apparatus is configured to check whether the terminal belongs to the first network, and the transmitter is configured to transmit the service request to the second network in response to the terminal belonging to the second network.

20. (Original) An apparatus as claimed in claim 18, wherein the apparatus is configured to maintain a list on networks wherefrom service is sought, in response to a service reject message sent by the first network, the apparatus is configured to determine a network on the list whereto the service request should be transmitted, and

the transmitter is configured to transmit the service request to the second network determined on the basis of the list.

21. (Currently Amended) An apparatus comprising:

—a receiver configured to receive a first service request from a mobile station attached to a first network and requiring data transmission being between the mobile station and a terminal,

the apparatus being further configured to check the availability of the requested data transmission service and the reachability of the terminal, and to transmit a message to the mobile station in response to at least one of the data transmission service not being providable substantially in accordance with the service request and the terminal not being reachable via the first network;

the apparatus being further ~~adapted to~~configured to cause a second service request to be transmitted from the mobile station to a second network, in response to the message and receive the requested service from the second network when the at least one of the data transmission service is not providable substantially in accordance with the service request and the terminal is reachable via the first network.

22. (Currently Amended) An apparatus according to claim 221, wherein the apparatus is configured to determine the network ~~where~~to the mobile station should transmit the service request,

the apparatus is configured to send a command in said message to transmit the service request to a determined second network.

23. (Currently Amended) An apparatus according to claim 2221, wherein the apparatus supports wireless local area network communications.

24. (Currently Amended) An apparatus as claimed in claim 2221, wherein the apparatus is configured to operate as part of a network element.

25. (Currently Amended) An apparatus comprising:

means for transmitting a first service request to a first network in response to the apparatus being attached to the first network and data transmission being desired between the apparatus and a terminal;

means for receiving a message from the first network at the mobile station in response to the data transmission service not being providable substantially in accordance with at least one of the service request and/or the terminal not being reachable via the first network; ~~and~~

means for transmitting a second service request from the mobile station to a second network in response to said message received from the first network; and

means for receiving the requested service from the second network when the data transmission service is not providable substantially in accordance with at least one of the service request and the terminal is not reachable via the first network.

26. (Cancelled)

27. (Previously Presented) An apparatus according to claim 25, wherein the apparatus further comprises means for determining the network to which the mobile station should transmit the service request.

28. (Currently Amended) A computer program product comprising:

a computer readable medium bearing computer program code embodied therein for use with a computer, the computer program code further comprising:

computer program code for causing a processor to attach the mobile station to a first network and transmit a first data transmission service request for communication with a terminal;

computer program code for causing a processor to receive a message from the first network to the mobile station in response to the data transmission service not being providable substantially in accordance with at least one of the service request and/or the terminal not being reachable via the first network; and

computer program code for causing a processor to transmit a second service request from the mobile station to a second network in response to in response to said message received from the first network; and

computer program code for causing a processor to receive the requested service from the second network when the data transmission service is not providable substantially in accordance with at least one of the service request and the terminal is not reachable via the first network.

29. (Cancelled)